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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, MTN, EC

SUBJECT: NEGOTIATIONS ON WINE GALLON/PROOF GALLON METHOD  
OF ASSESSMENT - DISCUSSION WITH EC

REF: GENEVA 11445

1. AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE BASIS FOR THE U.S. REQUEST  
CONCERNING THE GERMAN SPIRITS MONOPOLY REVEALED THAT PAST  
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INDUSTRY DIFFICULTIES WERE STANDARDS - RELATED. ACCORDING  
TO THE GERMAN FOREIGN TRADE INFORMATION OFFICE PUBLICATION,  
IMPORT PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS NOT COVERED BY THE  
FOREIGN TRADE LAW, THE FRG FEDERAL MONOPOLY ADMINISTRATION  
(FMA) OPERATES IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER. LEGAL EXEMPTIONS  
FROM RESTRICTIONS EXIST FOR IMPORTS OF RUM, ARRACK, COGNAC  
AND LIQUEURS. FOR EC-ORIGIN BRANDY AND ALL ARMAGNAC,

WHISKY, GIN AND GENEVA, AN IMPORT LICENSE IS GRANTED PROVIDED CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE FULFILLED. U.S. INDUSTRY DIFFICULTIES RELATED TO THESE CONDITIONS.

2. AMONG THE CONDITIONS TO BE FULFILLED AS SET OUT BY THE FMA ARE: MINIMUM ALCOHOLIC CONTENT; LABELING OF COUNTRY OF ORIGIN AND CONTENTS IN GERMAN; AND DESCRIBING FOREIGN PRODUCTS AS BEING FOREIGN. THESE ARE ESSENTIALLY THE SAME REQUIREMENTS IN FORCE IN THE U.S. RECENT DISCUSSIONS ALONG

THESE LINES WITH ORIGINATOR OF INDUSTRY COMPLAINT (MCCURDY) AND DISCUS OFFICIALS HAVE SHOWN THAT U.S. NTM REQUEST SHOULD NOT BE PURSUED. ACCORDINGLY YOU SHOULD INDICATE TO EC THAT WE ARE NO LONGER INTERESTED IN PURSUING THIS REQUEST.

3. YOUR INTERPRETATION OF ANTICIPATED METHOD OF WG CONVERSION TO TARIFF EQUIVALENTS IS CORRECT. VANCE

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